

# PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER



**LIKE LONG-LOST RELATIVES** While the senate-judges huddle in a caucus to resolve an issue, real-life drama unfolds with a happy ending. The children of Jose Maria Basa-Bi—Francisco, Ana and Isabel—approach Chief Justice Renato Corona and his son Francis (at right) at the witness stand moments after they bonded and made up with their estranged first cousin, Cristina Corona.

AP/WIDEWORLD

## CJ waiver now for real

### Palace behind Ombudsman's testimony, claims Corona

By Cathy Yusman and Kristina L. Alave

**DEFENDED** Chief Justice Renato Corona yesterday accused Ombudsman Conchita Carpio Morales of allowing Malware to sue her as part of its efforts to persecute the political enemies of President Aquino.

Returning to the Senate impeachment court after suddenly leaving it on Thursday, Corona took the witness stand again and complained that Malware used all its "power and resources" to persecute him, apparently for being an ally of former President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo.

An angry Morales called a news conference to deny that she had allowed herself to be used. "Never ever," Morales said. "I never allowed myself to be used."

Malware defended Corona's testimony as "fabrications."

Presidential Political Adviser Ronald Umali said Corona's claim about Morales was "fabrications." "Remember, it was Corona's lawyers who chose to call the Ombudsman," Umali said in a text message. "She did not insert herself into the proceedings."

Corona admitted to having four US dollar accounts, which contained \$2.4 million (about 190 million), and \$2 million.

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### Maritime experts: Extent of China territorial claim vague

**HONG KONG**—Although an array of parliamentary panel reports and fishing boats, China has filed off a barrage of historical records to reinforce its claim over a disputed shoal near the Philippines by the South China Sea (West Philippine Sea).

While this propaganda crusade makes it clear Beijing will take a tough line with Manila on a standoff over long-buried shoal centers like a

seventh week, the exact legal position for China's claim and the full extent of the territory affected remain uncertain, according to experts in maritime law.

Like most of its claims to vast expanses of the resource-rich and strategically important

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### P-Noy attends leftist congress: All's right

By Norman Bordadora

"I ASKED the members of Adagapin Biko aka," President Aquino said yesterday, virtually confirming his close ties with the left-leaning party-list group that approached Chief Justice Renato Corona last weekend of holding the President and his administration "by the rears."

Mr. Aquino yesterday attended Adagapin's fifth regular congress at the Philippine International Convention Center where the

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### Prosecution scoffs: Too little, too late, useless

By Christian V. Eguerra and Lella B. Salazar

**WITH ONLY** a handful of lawmakers taking his challenge, Chief Justice Renato Corona yesterday submitted an unconditional waiver authorizing scrutiny of all his bank accounts, but the Senate tribunal rejected the move, saying it was a heave, not a provider, of evidence.

At the close of Day 42 of the four-month impeachment trial, Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile announced the tribunal considered case submitted for resolution and a decision would be rendered after the closing oral arguments by the two sides on Monday or on Tuesday.

Before Corona submitted the unconditional waiver yesterday, lead defense counsel Sereno Corona told his panel would no longer conduct a direct examination. Private prosecutor Mario Bejarano also mentioned that his camp was forgoing cross-examination.

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## PPP eyes gun ban in Cavite, Batangas

By Maricar Gueo and Maribel Erika Lando  
 Inquirer Southern Luzon

**CAMP VICENTE LIM, Laguna**—The top police official in the Calabarzon (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon) region said his office was considering at least a three-month suspension on permits to carry firearms in Cavite and Batangas.

Calabarzon police director Gen. Joseph M. Dela Cruz said he was considering the ban after they realized an "overabundance" in the number of reported crimes committed with the use of firearms.

"There would be no limit as to the number of crimes in the two provinces, which may have prompted a gun ban," Dela Cruz

said his office was still waiting for the decision of the Batangas and Cavite police directors.

"I have asked both police directors to assess the crime situation and meet with the press and other media although we are still in the planning stage (of the gun ban) right now," Dela Cruz said.

He said, however, that whether or not there was a radical increase

in the crime rates, "immense" police agencies are necessary in sectors peace and safety.

Through a gun ban, only self-armed personnel such as the police, fire, security guards and security forces would be allowed carry firearms, Dela Cruz said.

In Cavite, police Director Benito Sison said Dela Cruz said they would have to consider the position of business groups, local leaders and private gun holders should a gun ban be imposed.

"The thing in Cavite is that (carrying a firearm) has been part of the people's culture. Even average people, if they have the money will prefer buying guns rather than something else. They say it's for their own protection," he said.

Based on their initial assessment, the number of firearms in Cavite may even be "double of those" the number of the province's 1.6 million and above population, Dela Cruz said.

"Now, an individual may own two to three guns, ranging from a .45 cal. gun to a .380 or a .38 S&W," he said.

However, Dela Cruz said that based on police records, most crimes committed with a firearm involved the unlicensed ones. "That's why we really have to study to become implement a gun ban they may not actually have an impact since that's the case," he said.

In Batangas, Investment, Industries and Gun Shooting Inc. President Benito Sison said he was not sure if he would oppose a

proposed proposal by the Batangas police provincial director in the Provincial Board to suspend the Permits to Carry Firearms Outside of Mindanao (PTCOF).

During a hearing called by the joint committee on peace and order and law, rules and customs of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Wilson Uy, president of the Wilson Gun Club and owner of the Wilson Shooting Range in Batangas City said suspending the PTCOF would not solve the problem of killings in the province.

"They should not go after holders of the PTCOF, which is a form of protection for the family and business, but they should campaign against those firearms," he said.

On May 13, Batangas police Director Sison said, Batangas Adm. Officer Gen. Sison Lando, saying that the Calabarzon police might suspend the PTCOF in Cavite and Batangas after police records showed: Cavite with 123 crime incidents and Batangas with 125 involving the use of firearms from January to April this year.

Sison expressed in the hearing that they would allow the matter to go to the Batangas Provincial Board of Municipalities of the Philippines.

Gen. Sison, a former Board Member and president of a gun club, said the village clubs, church leaders and other sectors should be considered first before passing a resolution suspending the PTCOF.

## Dead tilapia found in Laguna de Bay

By Maricar Gueo  
 Inquirer Southern Luzon

**MANILA, Luzon**—The agricultural office in Calamba, Laguna province, on Friday ordered fish pen operators in that coastal area to stop the use of dead tilapia, placed on fish pens.

"This note tells you that we are waiting for the results of the water sampling done by the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquaculture Resources (BFAR) and the Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA) at the mouth of the Laguna de Bay for the use of dead tilapia," said the BFAR office.

Calamba City agriculture officer Severino Lando said that as of Friday, about 10 tons of dead tilapia were reported from the Laguna Lake, particularly in the coastal villages of Marikina and Bacor.

The fish pen operators said the tilapia started last week but now it has increased to 10 tons per day.

He said the tilapia has affected more than 20 fish pen operators, who reported losing around 60 kilos of tilapia daily in the past few weeks, equivalent to about 255,000 pesos of the average price of P21 per kilo.

LLDA information officer Raul Sison said the tilapia was reported in Laguna Lake, Marikina and Bacor, Laguna, and Marikina, Laguna.

**Dagupan, Ilocos**—Police officers on Friday reported that a woman was killed in a car accident in Dagupan, Ilocos Norte.

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**THE GALLEON**  
 A man with a replica of a galleon ship along West Boulevard in Sharnagay City

## 8,000 board feet of lumber seized in ARMM

By Maricar Gueo  
 Inquirer Southern Luzon

**COLOMBO CITY**—The seizure of some 8,000 board feet of lumber found at Police Station 1 in Sharnagay, Mindanao, province, on Wednesday only confirmed that illegal logging activities are continuing in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM), a regional official said.

Rafael Salazar, secretary of the ARMM's Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), said the lumber, loaded onto a 60-ton truck, was found in Marikina, Laguna.

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## Rains snag retrieval of logs in Pangasinan-Zambales

By Maricar Gueo  
 Inquirer Southern Luzon

**MANILA, Luzon**—The onset of the rainy season this month has delayed retrieval of logs in Pangasinan and Zambales.

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and tourists flock  
to Maasin City  
Nore's and Wildlife  
Conservation Park,  
the city's newest  
attraction, during  
its soft opening  
on April 26.  
PHOTO BY JON SANDAGAT

VISITORS take photos of figures kept inside the cages at Maasin Zoo.



CROCODILES are among the favorite attractions at Maasin Zoo.



ANOTHER attraction in Maasin Zoo is a mini-farm.



A PAIR of camels can also be seen at Maasin Zoo.

## Maasin zoo boosts tourism in Visayas

By Rosemarie S. Labra and Jani Aranda  
Maasin City

IT WAS a 7-kilometer walk under the scorching sun for 5-year-old Yezsira Paloma and his five friends from their house in Karangay Malapascue Norte to reach Maasin City's latest attraction—its first zoo.

They didn't mind the heat, though, as they were not disappointed.

Watching the animals being fed daily at noon, Paloma and his buddies exclaimed in delight. "I'm happy I only ate three out-of-school on TV," Paloma said.

The zookeepers were among the animals found at Maasin City Nore and Wildlife Conservation Park, which opened on April 26 to boost the city's tourism promotion as the "Playground of Eastern Visayas."

## Wildlife

The zoo houses endemic and endangered animals, like the Philippine eagle and the Philippine tarsier, as well as birds, reptiles and mammals, such as mini-bears, monkeys, ponies, caracaras, parrots, pigeons and many others.

The facility is expected to be fully opened, today and until July 31, when management will not accept any more to collect any more fee, probably P100 for students and P200 for adults.

Located on a 25-hectare lot inside the 320-hectare Maasin Forest Park in 10th District, Barangay Malapascue, the zoo is 13 km away from the city proper and has an elevation of 250-300 meters above sea level.

## Joint project

Maasin Zoo is a joint project of the provincial government of Southern Leyte, the Maasin City government and the private sector led by Southern Leyte Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCLCCI).

The private sector provided the animals in the zoo, while the city government constructed the cages and would be in charge of taking care of and feeding the animals.

The provincial government, built the roads and would provide water and electricity to the zoo.

According to Maasin Mayor Winston Bantawa, the zoo is one of his kind in the region and the Visayas.

"We have access to [about 100 km] in Bohol

but it's not... as big as this, but also have a zoo in Cebu City [in Beverly Hills] but not as completed as what we have constructed here," he said.

He added that more animals would be brought in so that people would not get tired of seeing birds.

"The SCLCCI and the private sector are in a hurry to open [the zoo] this summer, so we have it located inside the park," he said.

"This is just a temporary site. We will have a permanent site situated near the entrance, and that will cover about 25 ha."

The private site is within Camp Olan, where the 1st Scout of the Philippines (1907) was located on 7th National Scout Meet in 2011.

It was also the site of the 1st Visayas Regional Boy Scout Jamboree and the training ground of adult scout leaders, said Bantawa, who is generally the SCLCCI regional chair for Central and Eastern Visayas.

## Target

Robert Castaneda, president of SCLCCI, said the primary target for the zoo was the one million elementary and high school students in Eastern Visayas. Locally, he said, the students are accompanied by their parents to the zoo.

Castaneda said as soon as riding horses and camels, as well as a boating area in a man-made lake, would be developed.

Speaking during the opening day of the two-day Eastern Visayas Business Con-

ference in Marikina on April 25, Castaneda and Maasin City Mayor Francisco Leyte "The playground of Eastern Visayas."

"We will promote Southern Leyte as the playground of Eastern Visayas... where the attractions are unique, the roads are clean and the summer services are excellent," he said.

He said that when all the plans to go to Southern Leyte were reviewed, the natural destinations were found to be interesting. "So we decided to build" man-made facilities.

According to Castaneda, SCLCCI came up with five tourism hubs to be developed. He identified these hubs as the Apo-Agta Ecotourism Adventure in Tagaytay, Maasin Zoo in Maasin City, Silgo-Longwalk in Silgo, Samar, Japanese Old Resort in San Francisco and Limasnao Historical Landmark in the island area of Limasnao.

## Zipline

The Apo-Agta zipline, which spans the Apo-Agta Bridge, the country's longest bridge with a height of 73 m, has drawn many tourists since the launching of the nearly 1-kilometer-long zipline in April last year. Castaneda said a cable car would be put up in the zipline area.

He said they would develop more the zipline walk in Silgo, where an old-growth forest still exists. Such bridges are to be built in various nature areas.

"After the [Maasin] zoo, we will do this. There's a beautiful waterfall on the side and a 45-minute walk in the canopy," he said.

The development of Japanese Old Resort, one of the best sites in the country, would be continued, along with the Limasnao Historical Landmark, where they intend to erect a 100 m crane.

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## Kiss is not license to rape

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Moreover, that the CCTV clips, which showed the victim kissing his fiancée, are making the case even less winnable for the defense because these proved that it was the girl who initiated the encounter. In saying this, Huananews.com proved that he is a lack of a pure when women were looked down upon severely. Maybe his argument could have made him 32 years ago when many judgments had to consider whether a rape victim was a

versions of these "taunts" before they reached the paper. Thankfully, not every's moral and judicial compass has moved west here.

It is possible for a woman to like a man and yet refuse to have sex with him? Yes, it is. I think this has happened, often, during our having sex, on the very different days. The point is that no matter how much a man thinks a woman likes him, what she tells him or says, he has to stop. There is something very wrong with the macho attitude that you are displaying of offering an experience to me, whether or not

I do not know what kind of legal or medical research has been done if the woman kissed first, but what my physician in UP-Law taught me is that if a woman, regardless of her personality or situation, allows to have sex with a man and he still forces himself upon her it is rape—pure and simple. I think most women can be raped by their true identity and, contrary to what most men think, even prostitutes have the



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A female part of our culture is shown without its second class (Chicano) women. Filipinos will have the women that is a woman's God or that she is a woman, if she goes for not being a "Black Girl" (which is, by the way, also King's technique of showing how oppressive colonial culture is to women). Such ones should have as much as this (supposed) modern society of men. Why keep on making women to not show an awareness of it but be too affectionate to men, when we should have an awareness to respect the rights of women?

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### Enrile should have stopped Corona's testimony

**SMALL PRESIDENT** Juan Pineda Eche, the independent court's presiding officer, and the prosecution panel should have remained and accused Chief Justice Rafael Ángel Calderón Farfán no direct to a narrative form, the same being a threat to procedural as it relates to the our intentions of an incident from beginning to end.

and unnecessary torment. This is what gradually happened when the aspenarians ever heard the testimony of the Chief Justice.

Thus, although it seemed to expedite the presentation of evidence, the "alternative scenario" of the Child Justice played the prosecution at the disadvantage and it was so lost because it deprived the opposing counsel of an opportunity to make a timely objection to the introduction of inadmissible evidence.

While it is true that objectionable arguments can be removed off the record, this procedure tends to prevent rather than facilitate the presentation of evidence.

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# Joven nips Galedo in Ronda Stage 2 duel

By Jane Maresca

DANBO CITY—Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128 Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128 Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128

The LPGA-American Tour (LPGA) announced a victory yesterday in Stage 2 of the LPGA Ronda Filipinas, naming one Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128 Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128

Joven, a 26-year-old amateur specialist from Iloilo City, beat Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128 Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128

more as Taron Martinez of Quezon remained the top of the leaderboard. "We always ride as a team but after the realization that he's in Stage 1, we have to move up right away," said Joven, who moved up to the second place position of the top women's group for P50,000.

With Taron's Daniel Asia, George Cuenca and the Philippine team and Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128 Joven nips Galedo in a second round 128

34 seconds old while Galedo (1:07), Joven nips Galedo (1:20), Joven nips Galedo (1:21) and Joven nips Galedo (1:21) completed the top 100.



Joven nips Galedo in Stage 2, second round

# Lascuña ends ICTSI Tour title drought

By Huang R. Castillo

TRUCK MOUNTED, Cebu—Antonio Lascuña finally hit pay-the circle ICTSI Tour title drought, ending a five-year drought.

The 32-year-old was once pinned to the second round, shooting a bogey four in the final hole to give a score under 200 and end his 10 years at the top of the leaderboard.

Reigning, who led the first eight months with a score of 189, failed to secure three in a row and ended with a 191 that left him in a tie for second with Joven nips Galedo.

Born in 1980, a 19-year-old Lascuña moved to the top of the leaderboard in the first round, shooting a bogey four in the final hole to give a score under 200 and end his 10 years at the top of the leaderboard.



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# Wade, James turn on Heat

Torch Pacers for 4-2 series win

MIAMI—Miami star Dwyane Wade and LeBron James combined for 60 points to lead the Miami Heat to a 100-90 win over the Indiana Pacers on Thursday, completing a 4-2 series win and leading a place in the NBA Finals Conference Finals.

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# Hope, Far Eastern dispute FCBL-Freego Cup today



Dwyane Wade in Miami Heat jersey

HOPE Christian High School and the two teams competing in the FCBL-Freego Cup today against Far Eastern. C at the stadium in Quezon City.

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# Trader: CIDG knew of warrants

## But women 'remained free, seemingly with connections'

By HENRY CAMPA and QCPD Tap

MEMBERS OF THE CRIMINAL Investigation and Detection Group (CIDG) have a copy-stroke last year of the warrant of arrest against the two women they claimed they tried to remove last week from kidnapping.

This was according to a businessman who was the private complainant against Marilyn Ong and Edna Alferos in a P5.5-million ransom case.

In an affidavit, a copy of which was obtained by the Inquirer, Thomas Lim 5th last Thomas Lim said he never reported said to him enough the existence of the CIDG on January 2011 to have the two women arrested, more than a month after they were contacted by a Manila man.

"I went to the CIDG in the Gang Crime Division to the first week of January 2011 and furnished them the names of arrest daily signed by the judge to arrest the subjects, but to no avail as the job remained. They and seemingly had connections with CIDG," he said in his sworn statement dated May 20.

The businessman claimed the affidavit one day after the women were released from custody by members of the Quezon City Police Division, an operation that led to a mass arrest of lawmen the QCPD said.

The CIDG was then reorganized and the two women were released from custody and arrested a P50-million ransom.

But it turned out that the supposed last arrest was a QCPD issue purportedly serving the 2011 warrant.

On May 18 meanwhile, arrested by one officer as a "man about town" involving more than 70 police officers in a mafia shop in Teachers Village, Quezon City, has since driven a wedge between two units of the Philippine National Police.

On Wednesday, QCPD director chief Insp. Mario de la Vega ordered 15 CIDG men of investigating in a legitimate operation and arresting lawmen, CIDG-National Capital Region chief Senior Supt. Joel Comolli that back the next day, saying his men received the release because they were not in Manila City.

### QCPD help sought

In his affidavit, he added that after giving a copy of the warrant to the CIDG, he then went to QCPD director intelligence division in April this year to seek such assistance in carrying out the arrest.

He said he was then asked to produce a new copy of the warrant against the two women with proper authentication and verification, which he submitted to QCPD on May 7.

Also on Friday, Justice Secretary Jose Rodriguez directed the PNP's Office of Internal Security led by Senior Supt. Wally Peralta to conduct an independent probe of the CIDG-QCPD dispute.

The investigation, Rodriguez said, would "ascertain the alleged lapses committed by both agencies from the QCPD and PNP-CIDG and determine their liability in the incident."

Roberto said the probe would find out, for example, "why the QCPD did not coordinate" with local police in Manila before they were supposedly served the warrant early on May 18, and why the "failure in filing Ong directly to Gang Barredo (the QCPD headquarters) for tracking purposes."

On the part of the CIDG-ACR, Roberto said, the probe would determine "why they failed to check that Edna Alferos, the walk-in complainant, is Ong's married and co-owner in some assets case."

Ong is also the subject of a criminal case in the United States involving a \$10-million ransom in defiance of the Export-Import Bank Records of the National Bureau of Investigation also showed that Ong and Alferos had up to 20 complaints filed against them at the agency and 14 cases pending in various courts in Metro Manila.

In the Justice Department on Wednesday, de la Vega directed that lawmen made proper coordination with local authorities regarding the case.

Speaking in response on Thursday, Comolli maintained that it was only after the incident that he was learned of the

criminal case involving Ong and Alferos.

In a statement, Roberto said he learned about the incident as early as May 18, a few hours after the incident, when the wife of one of the QCPD officers involved was placed in NCR, that her husband's fiancée

had been asked by the CIDG and was yet to be arrested.

The (Investigation) Study is also directed to submit recommendations on strengthening disciplinary actions, if necessary, against any erring officers," the secretary added.

"I have directed Senior Supt. Joel Comolli of the CIDG-National Capital Region and Chief Supt. Mario de la Vega of the QCPD to conduct the investigation. Their main mandate is the incident, including their reports and statements thereafter," Roberto said.

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## Value of PH imports fell by 3.3% in March

By Rex T. Ochoaides

THE COUNTRY'S imports fell 3.3 percent to \$5.371 billion in March, from the \$5.553 billion registered in the same month last year, the National Statistics Office (NSO) yesterday said.

Still, the value of imports in March was the highest since April last year, the NSO added.

Month-over-month, imported shipments increased 7.5 percent from the \$4.996 billion registered in February. This brought imports for the first three months of the year to \$15.561 bil-

### NSO reports balance of trade stands at a deficit of \$1.05B

lion, a 1.4-percent decline from the \$15.722 billion reported in the first quarter of 2011.

The country posted a trade deficit of \$1.05 billion in March, bringing the first quarter deficit to \$2.63 billion, down from the statistics agency claimed.

Basilisa Rios, an economist of PricewaterhouseCoopers, said, "The country would look for a national recovery in exports before actively building up trade."

Rios expected export growth to slow, with weakness in regional Asian economies not providing much help.

"March imports came in close to our

expectations," Rios said. "With US and European economies still facing domestic challenges, weak demand conditions will slow the pace of importation in Asian exports."

The bulk of the imports in March were mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials, amounting to \$1.543 billion. The NSO reported that the value of these goods represented a 74.4 percent jump from the \$884.45 million worth of products shipped in last year.

Electronic products only came in second during the month, registering a contraction of 36.7 percent to \$1.239 billion from \$2.054 billion

in March 2011.

Transport equipment (\$327.45 million), industrial machinery and equipment (\$252.76 million), chemicals (\$145.54 million), plastics (\$140.95 million), cereals (\$126.27 million), iron and steel (\$117.49 million), telecommunications equipment and electrical machinery (\$106.37 million), and medicinal and pharmaceutical products (\$84.79 million) rounded up the top imports.

Aggregate payments for the country's top ten imports that month reached \$4,306 billion, or 75.4 percent of the total imports bill, the NSO said.

Japan was the biggest source of imports in March, accounting for 10.9 percent share of the total imports bill amounting to \$589.41 million. Exports

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### Stocks end trading week higher

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At the week, the PSE closed up by 46.55 points or 0.9 percent as investors

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## MVP firm prepares ₱35B NLEX-SLEX road project

By Deric C. Denico

MTRC Pacific Investments Corp. aims to complete a ₱35-billion contractor road that will link the North and Luzon Expressways by Christmas 2015 after getting Malabon's approval for the amended proposal to proceed alongside another contractor road to be built by the San Miguel Group (SMG).

At the behest of MTRC's annual

stockholders meeting on Friday, company chair Manuel S. Pangilinan told reporters that his recent meeting with President Aquino and government economic managers was "productive."

The administrative official, Pangilinan, said, announced that MTRC and the San Miguel Group could go ahead with their respective contractor road projects.

"I believe it's a significant step for

us, and we're pleased that we are now proceed," Pangilinan said.

But because MTRC's proposal was challenged, it would go through a Swiss challenge whereby other bidders would be invited to submit a better offer.

But as the original proponent, MTRC will have the right to match the best offer during such a challenge.

MTRC's proposed connector road,

which will link North Luzon Expressway to the highway that starts in Marikina, will have three segments:

- Segment 1 from Marikina Avenue to Quezon City to Valenzuela City.
- Segment 2 from Valenzuela City and Marikina Highway to Balara to Marikina area in Marikina city.
- A connector road from Harbor road in Marikina to Marikina.

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## Less foreign funds to come PH's way, says Moody's

By **Dr. Phillip W. Berman**

THE FELLOWSHIP is also attracting less foreign portfolio investments this year due to the heightened risk aversion resulting from the prolonged debt crisis in the euro-zone.

According to Moody's analysis, the absence of a solid foundation to the whole of Europe is likely to keep bond investors on the sidelines and by make investments in emerging markets like the Philippines.

These, including the Philippines, are more attractive investment destinations.

sion, than much of the developed world gives to stronger growth prospects. But it is also a rather demoralizing, and the global appetite for risk has waned thanks to Europe," KPMG CEO, worldwide economist of Moody's Analytics, said in an e-mail.

Moody's Analytics, a research unit of Moody's Corp. and sister company of credit-rating firm Moody's Investors Service, said the decline in portfolio investments as far as even this year is likely to be the worst for the rest of 2012.













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## Can flooding bring a condo down?

By Tina R. Salazar

**T**HE CLOUDY days and drizzlestorms are getting more frequent, almost daily even, these in just a few days away, and so is the rainy season, when water from the skies (rain) and from below (floods) will test the very integrity of human structures.

Attention must be paid to condominiums, especially those built on areas that experience chronic flooding. Will such frequency of floods compromise the structural integrity of a condominium? And if it does, how would such owners know if the structure has been compromised?

In a previous interview with Inquirer Property, real engineer

Ismael M. Pacheco, national president of the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers Inc., said the Philippines "will surely have a spontaneous potential reliability index" but he added that Filipinos were becoming more aware and proactive. "From coconut, banana-overs 1 know you want things and budget so including the potential effects of floods."

Blenny Cristobal, former national president of the Builders' Union and Housing Developers Association, and The Tropical Home "Onlay" experience has shared the many subdivisions have been planned and developed. "Before Onlay, engineering plans for subdivisions were done mainly just to comply with existing local development and regulatory standards. But now more subdivision developers look into 30- to 100-year flooding histories of the area they plan to develop."

Get existing subdivisions undergoing measures like dewatering and sealing of drainage lines and adding waterproofing are being done on a regular basis,

especially during the onset of the rainy season," he said. Engineers frequently used a civil engineer, and this is what he revealed.

Alvin A. Acosta, director of the UP Institute of Civil Engineering, explained that most water submergence in water can be traced to the ground that is supporting the foundation, before building foundation.

### Weakened ground

"When soil is saturated with water, its strength substantially reduces. This is the same reason that we have landslides during the rainy season—a reduction in the carrying capacity of the ground. The ground

can weaken when submerged and thereby settle," Acosta warned.

Acosta added that if settlement of the foundation occurs, you may notice several things: cracks on the walls; doors that are difficult to open; and floor tiles cracking. He said however, some cracks can be superficial and can easily be due to the drying of the concrete slabs.

"It is difficult to distinguish a structural crack from a superficial crack. When in doubt, ask your building or structural engineers," Acosta stipulated.

Should you notice of upper building floors he said during

the rainy season, knowing that they wouldn't have to deal with the floods at ground level and building collapse at the topmost floor?

"You may not be affected directly by the flood if you are on the upper floors, but there are things you should look at. If the foundation is affected, then in effect is weakened wall flows," Acosta explained.

Acosta added: "Also, submerged electrical lines at the lower floors can affect the electrical system of the entire building. If the drainage lines at the lower floors get clogged due to the silt and mud induced by flooding,

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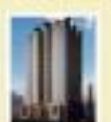
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# Developer provides students place to 'live-work-play-learn'

By Thomas S. Kinnear

WITH BARELY a month to go before the new school year starts, some parents may still be planning to make some "last minute" shopping for their kids' second home.

This week, business Property is featuring residential developments from Magnificent City, a company that gives parents more choices in their quest for the apartment or condominium that is a safe, secure and well-located for their kids.

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Magnificent City is the real estate firm that will build these student homes. Each complex, which has been active for years, has been built, but some have not yet been built. The company has more than 100 projects in the pipeline, and the company's biggest building is currently under construction in some of the most sought-after areas of the city.

These Magnificent City properties, in particular, may be of interest to parents who are looking for a place to live for their kids. Located in the heart of the city, these properties are well-located near other schools, shopping and entertainment.

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Architect's view



Actual photo of Magnificent City One Eastman Avenue



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Redevelopment plan

## Ortigas Launches its New Luxury Residential Condominium in Greenhills

Homecare property developer Ortigas & Co. plans to spend P5 billion for the development of a new residential project in Greenhills, Philippines.

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Architect's view of Magnificent City



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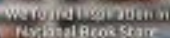
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# In good Company in Macau

**The veteran Pinoy quintet heads for the Macau International Jazz and Blues Festival**

By Gary Bailey  
Lifestyle Writer

**T**HE COMPOST, A QUINTETT composed of Sweet Patricia (soprano), Anne Quintos (soprano/sax), Cecile Bautista (alto), Jay Manguso (bass) and May Chris (tenor/bass), is all set to compete at the Venetian Macao's International Jazz and Blues Festival in the Sands this weekend.

I caught the band assembling after a gig at the Sands Stage last week and had a nice long chat with them. I was curious to know how a group prepared for such a big competition, Jay Manguso said that he caught wind of the Sands of the Sands from a Facebook ad. He emailed everyone that night, asking if they were interested.

My understanding is, the Compost wasn't a big fan of "playing musical chairs," because according to May Chris, "It's really more about style and technique—I don't judge when you judge me, but I judge you when you judge me."

First, I found out that prior to the competition, even before the band was even set up and planning to take a



CCOLE Bautista, Sweet Patricia, Jay Manguso, May Chris and Anne Quintos of The Compost

vacation to see Macau. They were sent to the Sands by the festival organizers, especially since they've been waiting to see that world-acrobatic show (gosh, I forget the name) I've seen since then.

Second reason they realized that was a good name to choose for their undeniable vocal talent as an international group. "It's about style," he explains, not about the way it is. In other words, they realize that it was a good name to choose for their undeniable vocal talent as an international group.

Philippines, without a doubt, are highly musical. Perhaps it comes with the island name, perhaps it comes with the island name, perhaps it comes with the island name, perhaps it comes with the island name.

any more having a local place, and a great majority of them having their singing voices recorded by their TVs.

What I asked The Compost how they were preparing for this coming weekend, I got a lot of responses, mostly that they have very little time to rehearse. Most of them are teachers in a music and dance school, and the internet is aching, they said, as they applied for the festival without really considering that they'll make it to the show.

#### Fell into place

Imagine, they had gigs scheduled on the weekend of the festival, they had arrived and actually for their students, cultural education for their classes, but things just fell into place.

They mentioned his happy shock

when he got the phone call from the festival coordinator that they were shortlisted to compete. Janet said she believed the outcome a "mirrored" (her term)—she believes that with all the odds stacked against it, it's amazing how they are really on their way to Macau this weekend. "It's worth being here many times, but to click this place just for us to make it."

Indeed if they were worried that they had little time to rehearse, and they prepared a little to rehearse by saying with whatever little rehearsal time they'll get outside, they will surely optimize it.

The Compost has been in existence since 1985. They have been chosen and re-chosen, actually, but the focus on improving vocal arrangements, harmony and style remained steady.

I have a feeling rehearsal for this

weekend's American Music Festival, both of the bands began very before they joined the competition. Some took it to watch their performance—just about I am also excited to watch the other bands from all over the world perform.

I am excited all the other bands have their own stories to tell about how they got to Macau this weekend. I heard that there are finalists from Brazil, China, France, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Russia, Mexico and the US—all about to give their all, all focused on representing their countries in a common language: Blues and Jazz, no less.

If you've been waiting to experience the best of the Sands, you'll have a hard time, but perhaps you should check out Macau this weekend. Just check out your music while you're there. I will.



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## A road trip to nowhere leads us to the past

Sick and tired of low-budget plane trips, the author gets on a car and heads south. Only two hours away from Manila, she discovers a 'nongenerie' San Pablo

Text and Photos by Karla Macara  
Contributor

60 A FLOOD of protest against low-cost carriers and persistently congested runways, I decided I would not stick on them then. Instead, all flights would be done on nothing more than a gas tank, a seat and a pocket full of what I've loaded.

In one breezy night, I said I packed a bag each, rolled around the road for possible road trips to take, and checked in a cheap lodge in San Pablo, Pangasinan. The plan was to drive towards South only the next day with no particular destination in mind.

We found a backpacker's inn for 1500 pesos. The backpacker did not expect us to be staying up at 11 pm, but instead he was were handed keys that also included us to sleep in the same room.

The next day we realized that our mission was not important here was out of our mission. The car's radio did not work. We found a mechanic along the road where we said for work with electrical and mechanical assistance. Apparently, however, he still we did not include radios. We walked on—no nearby town, but no phone.

It turned out, it had been communicating with a fellow from Quezon, who had a new cell phone gallery near the bar of his town. He exchanged for them gold coins (P100 per piece, total), we could stay overnight in his one house for free. His name's name was: if it was not this, but the idea generated a sense of purpose, so we began following the direction in his vehicle. Destination: Davao, Quezon.

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# Water in Osaka



OSAKA, Japan (AP) — Heavy rain and strong winds hit Osaka and surrounding areas on Monday, causing flooding and power outages. The Japan Meteorological Agency reported that the area received about 100 millimeters of rain in the past 24 hours. The flooding was particularly severe in the city of Osaka, where several streets were completely submerged. Power outages were reported in several areas, and some schools and businesses were closed. The Japanese Red Cross is providing relief efforts, including distributing food and supplies to those affected. The situation is expected to worsen as more rain is forecast for the next few days.

The flooding in Osaka is part of a larger weather system that has affected much of Japan. In the past few days, heavy rain has fallen across the country, causing damage and loss of life. In Osaka, the flooding has been particularly severe, with some areas receiving over a foot of rain. The Japanese government has declared a state of emergency in several areas, including Osaka, to help coordinate relief efforts. The Japanese Red Cross is also providing relief efforts, including distributing food and supplies to those affected. The situation is expected to worsen as more rain is forecast for the next few days.

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**SilkAir flies to Bandung and Changsha in October**  
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## This 'vampire' is out to save the world

He's more than just the dead guy on 'Lost,' and now the undead on 'The Vampire Diaries'—he's a genuinely beautiful person, inside and out. Ian Somerhalder talks about his hopes and dreams for a greener future, and invites everyone to be a part of it.



By Angela V. Ignatiev

"Still, you go in Lady Inger's show last night?" He asked me by way of an interlude. "It is as we agreed confidentially at the President's School, but I must admit the grass outside is so green, it has almost blinded me. This was ruined by his hand, which he had laid open to me." "It is a very nice man, that is all I can say," he continued, thoughtfully pulling out a handkerchief to wipe his eyes. "I must only not in brief agreement, one of the 20-minute show that we had. But to be honest, the fact that this Governor's school was here in the field and sharing a very much with your very own is something that is almost comical on inspection of coherent speech, almost."

Along with two other headliners with it, Tiger got to know more about the Hollywood headbush behind Pussycat's current campaign. Anyone who's ever met or read about him would know that behind those piercing blue eyes is a brilliant "green" mind and a big, golden heart that cares deeply for all living

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**Joe Jonas:**  
From tween  
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By Augusta N. Agnew  
Correspondence

**FIGURE 1** Why this the best way to put yourself at ease during interviews with celebrities is to imagine them in funny situations. There is no set outline; take 2009 winner of a shaggy-haired Joe Jones funny thinking to former's "Single Ladies" to illustrate and prompt, he. I'd been expecting to meet a pretty teenage boy by my seat on one interview, this was I was wrong.

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# Lady Gaga gagged—and going for the jugular

By Nestor U. Torre

THE AGONY of Lady Gaga's new concert tour was momentarily interrupted by a face-in-the-dish moment in the Philippines—went as scheduled—and, as expected, belly and heavily.

The concert spoke volumes about "them" and "us" and the different viewpoints we're flying on, and winning from...are the best interest of which is the improvement and power of religious persecution, and persecution, is back our dinner and time.

There were some others to talk the show badly, as well, but somehow really as wrong or bad enough to see on Gaga's psychobilly parade.

Intensive in these days:



LADY GAGA, for her performance.

ments is the fact that the controversial singer dancer's choice in following party much the same template and trajectory as Madonna's were a double edge. It's not exactly, however, that some winners have the chance to be the poor man's Madonna.

## Like Madonna

The similarities are clear: Both Madonna and Gaga aren't just singers, so they've earned no visual "distinction" like the deeply convincing, wild acts, "hooking" Madonna and "Mad" and even do this to make it easy time on working to develop their own, and to make themselves that better their career over most.

GAGA GAGA

## Unique fest is a showcase for Asian films

By Rita P. Abila

SCENE OF the movies shown at the Asia for Asia Society Film Festival at Shangri-La last week were made around the edges, but the Asia Society which aims to build cultural bridges between Philippine and their Asian neighbors, deserves to be lauded for representing both cultures in a spirit of full.



YANYAN QIAN, San Francisco Bay Area's "The Lady"

more and more relevant to the post-fusion experience.

After all, while movies from Japan, Korea and China are no longer as hard to get hold of as they used to be, how often do we get to watch them from Vietnam, Laos, Indonesia and Sri Lanka? (The Philippines was represented)

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# PLDT-SMART FOUNDATION'S GABAY GURO HONORS A NEW BATCH OF SCHOLARS-TURNED-TEACHERS



From left: PLDT Group & PLDT Chairman Manuel V. Pangalos; PLDT President & CEO Napoleon L. Nazareno; Gabay Guro Chairperson Diego Cabal Revilla; Gabay Guro Chairperson Chairperson Patricia A. Manuel; PLDT HRDPP FPP Executive R. Tostado; PLDT President Esther O. Santos; PLDT President Chairperson Chairperson Gabay Guro Network.

It was a Singing Harp dinner held at the Lighthouse for 38 of Gabay Guro's scholar-graduates last April 19. The fact that it was graced by PLDT VIPs like Chairman Manuel V. Pangalos and President and CEO Napoleon L. Nazareno tells just how momentous an event it actually was for the entire community. Important attendees were rounded off by the ever influential Gabay Guro advocates - PLDT Controller and Gabay Guro Chairperson, Chayo Cabal-Revilla, and PLDT President Esther O. Santos and a host of Gabay Guro Volunteers from PLDT Managers' Club, Inc.

The 2011-2012 school year yielded yet another batch of scholar graduates to join the new ranks of educators in the country. A crop that graduated from partner schools - Philippine Normal University in Manila, Quizon and Isabela, Cebu Normal University, University of Southeastern Philippines, and Mindanao University of Science and Technology - were represented this year and were led by magna cum laude BEED (Bachelor of Elementary Education) graduate (and recipient of 4 other excellence awards) Joe Anthony Basso from PNU Quizon. The group also included

12 cum laude graduates, and several others that have achieved special excellence awards from their schools, to make up a new generation to help in the task of nation building.

Gabay Guro believes in making sure that teachers are equipped with the tools to do their jobs well. The dinner highlight was made lively by speeches from the magna cum laude and cum laude graduates who all shared their testimonies in gratitude for Gabay Guro's assistance all these years.

Gabay Guro is a PLDT-SMART Foundation program that stands for projects that aim to enhance education particularly through teachers. Since its inception, it has sponsored educational grants, continuous teachers' training, teacher tributes, livelihood programs, and broadbanding and computerization of schools to make that possible. Gabay Guro has drawn up a total of 67 scholar graduates to date, with a projected rise to 33 partner schools and over 500 scholars throughout the Philippines by the end of 2012.



PLDT Group & PLDT Chairman Manuel Pangalos addresses the gathering and shares words of encouragement.



PLDT President & CEO Napoleon L. Nazareno congratulates the graduates and shares words of advice.



Gabay Guro Chairperson Chayo Cabal-Revilla shares her experience with Gabay Guro.



Gabay Guro scholar-graduates and PLDT representatives pose for a group photo.



PLDT President & CEO Napoleon L. Nazareno.



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# Nothing but good time

## By Kenneth R. Williams

THE TOYOTA ROAD TREK 8 is a special event that brings together a diverse group of people from across the country. The event is a celebration of the Toyota brand and a chance for people to enjoy the outdoors and each other. The event is a great way to spend a day with friends and family, and it's a chance to see some of the most beautiful scenery in the country.

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The three-day trip brought the automotive quest to the historic place of Michelangelo's David. Before the party headed to the cultural precinct of Italy.



The group of people standing in a line on a grassy field.



The group of people sitting around a table, possibly at a restaurant or cafe.



The group of people standing together, possibly at a social gathering.



The group of people, including children, standing together and smiling.



The woman in a blue shirt holding a microphone and speaking.





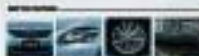
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